

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 were pending. Claims 1-3, 12, 13, and 18-22 were rejected. Claims 4-11, and 15-17 were objected to but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including the limitations of any intervening claims.

To put the claims in condition for allowance, Applicants have amended Claims 1 and 9, written new claim 23 and cancelled Claims 4, 8, and 19-22.

Amended Claim 1 has the limitation of Claim 4 and should now be allowable. Claims 2-3, 4-5, and 12-18 being ultimately dependent upon Claim 1 should now be allowable for at least the reasons Claim 1 is allowable.

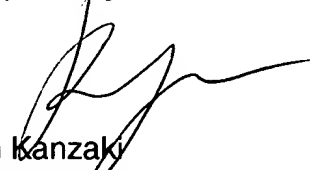
New Claim 23 has the limitations of the un-amended Claim 1 and Claim 8 and should now be allowable. Claims 9-11 being ultimately dependent upon Claim 23 should now be allowable for at least the reasons Claim 23 is allowable.

CONCLUSION

All claims should be now be in condition for allowance and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

If there are any questions, the applicants' attorney can be reached at Tel: 408-879-6149 (Pacific Standard Time).

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